CLARIFICATION OF THE RECORD

• Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, on April 9, 2002, on the floor of the U.S. Senate, I announced the cancelation of the Mt. Hood National Forest Eagle Creek timber sales. These sales were sold under the salvage rider, enacted in 1996 by the 104th Congress. During my floor speech, I reiterated my opposition to the salvage rider, but also inadvertently referred to salvage sales instead of confining my remarks to salvage rider sales.

I have been, and will continue to be, a supporter of salvage sales involving the commercial recovery of dead or dying timber, when such sales make sense for the health of the forest. In fact, I worked very hard to make sure that a salvage sale project went forward in the wake of the 1996 Summit and Tower fires, and I continue to support constructive salvage work being done to improve forest health throughout the National Forests.

As I continue to work toward comprehensive forestry legislation which will include both active forest management and old growth protection, I thought it important to correct the RECORD.

RECOGNITION OF JOYCE MAISH

• Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I take this moment to recognize Joyce Maish, a high school business teacher in Augusta, KS. Joyce was one of twelve teachers across the United States who was named Teacher of the Year by the National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship.

Joyce has been a teacher at Augusta High School for twenty-five years. At the high school, Joyce conducts a "Youth Entrepreneurs for Kansas" class, in which she attempts to focus the ideas and dreams of her students on the possibility that they could someday start their own businesses. Moreover, she has done an outstanding job of bringing in local business owners and officials from Augusta and Wichita to speak to her students to teach them about the realities of business enterprise.

Joyce Maish is a role model teacher for Kansas and for the Nation. I am very pleased that the National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship has honored Joyce for her years of excellence. I wish Joyce continued success in all of her future endeavors.

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK TO HIGHLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

• Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I rise to congratulate the young men and women of Highlands High School in Fort Thomas, KY for being chosen to represent the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the national finals of the We the People . . . The Citizen and the Constitution program. The competition will take place May 4-6 here in Wash-

ington and will include more than 1,200 students from across the United

The three-day national competition is appropriately modeled after hearings in the United States Congress. The hearings consist of oral presentations by high school students before a panel of adult judges on various constitutional topics. Questions ranging from factual concerns of how the framers created the Constitution to more analytical questions such as how a member of Congress should represent his or her constituency will be directed at the students to determine their depth of understanding and ability to apply their constitutional knowledge.

The We the People . . . program, directed by the Center for Civic Education and funded by the U.S. Department of Education, has provided curricular materials at upper elementary, middle, and high school levels for more than 2.5 million students nationwide. By providing students with a working knowledge of our Constitution, Bill of Rights, and principles of democratic government, We the People . . . gives our next generation of leaders an opportunity to study in depth the documents and ideals that have bound this nation together for so many years. I thank the U.S. Department of Education for continuing to provide fiscal support to this great program and the Center of Civic Education for their ongoing commitment to the education of our Nation's future. It is truly inspiring to see that so many young people are interested in furthering the democratic ideals brought forth by our forefathers so many years ago.

The class from Highlands High School, led by teacher Brian Robinson, has proven without a doubt that they are dedicated to representing Kentucky in the most admirable fashion possible in this year's competition. They are currently conducting thorough research and preparing for their upcoming participation in the national finals. I would like to wish all of these students the best of luck at the We the People . . . national finals. It is comforting to know what one of these students may one day be standing in my place, representing the great people of the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the U.S. Senate.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-6483. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition and Technology, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on Activities and Programs for Countering Proliferation and NBC Terrorism"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6484. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension to Administrative Fines" received on March 21, 2002; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-6485. A communication from the Senior Attorney, Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Government Participation in the Automated Clearing House" (RIN1510-AA84) received on April 11, 2002; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6486. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, Bureau of Competition, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "16 CFR Parts 801 and 802" (RIN3084-AA23) received on April 11, 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6487. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, Regulatory Affairs Group, Bureau of Land Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Petroleum Reserve, Alaska, Oil and Gas Unitization Rule" (RIN1004-AD13) received on April 10, 2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6488. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Report From Federal Contractors" (RIN1293-AA07) received on April 8, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6489. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education, received on April 12, 2002; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6490. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments of Appendix A to 31 CFR Chapter V" received on April 3, 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6491. A communication from the Paralegal, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rail Fixed Guideway Systems; State Safety Oversight" (RIN2132-AA69) received on April 5, 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6492. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Investment Management Office of Disclosure Regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Registration Form for Insurance Company Separate Accounts Registered as Unit Investment Trusts that Offer Variable Life Insurance Policies" (RIN3235-AG37) received on April 12, 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.